है—100% निर्यातोन्मुखी इकाइयों की स्थापित करने की सुविधा, रियायती शुल्क पर पूंजीगत माल का आयात करने की पात्रता, रियायती दर पर ऋण की उपलब्धता, पोतलदान-पूर्व निरीक्षण क्रिया-विधि का सरलीकरण आदि । निर्यात किए जाने वाली बासमती चावल की किस्मों के प्रमाणित बीजों के प्रयोग पर प्रोत्साहन देने के लिए कृषि मंत्रालय की भी एक स्कीम है ।

वर्ष 1994–95 मे बासमती के निर्यात का कोई लक्ष्य निर्धारित नहीं किया गया है ।

(ङ) और (च) चावल निर्यातकों ने भारतीय चावल के लिए नए बाजारों का पता लगाने में गहरी दिलचस्पी ली है । अखिल भारतीय चावल निर्यातक संघ (ए आई आर ई ए) ने अप्रैल 1994 में जापान के बाजार में प्रवेश पाने के उद्देश्य से एक शिष्टमण्डल प्रायोजित किया था ।

(छ) इस शिष्टमण्डल का अंदाजा है कि जापान को तत्काल अधिक मात्रा में चावल निर्यात करने के कोई आसार नहीं हैं, क्योंकि जापान की जापोनिका किस्म के चावल के प्रति अधिक मोह है जिसकी भारत में पर्याप्त मात्रा में काश्त नहीं की जाती ।

Customs duty on Import of Tractors

747. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the customs duty imposed on import of tractors and combines from abroad ;

(b) what is the total export of tractors and related machinry to other countries out of the total production ;

(c) what concessions have been made for export thereof; and

(d) whether such concessions will be made available to the export of agricultural produce as well ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) The Customs duty imposed on import of tractors and combines is as under :—

(i) Agricultural tractors having engine capacity not exceeding 1800 cc—65% Advl.

(ii) Agricultural tractors having engine capacity 1800 cc or above—81.5% Advl;

(iii) Combine Harvestor thrasher-25% Advl

(b) Less than 1% of total production of tractors is exported The value of exports of tractors and other agricultural machinery and implements during 1993-94 was 1899.04 lakhs and 4301.00 lakhs respectively.

(c) Promotion of exports has been the constant endeavour of the Government. The incentives made available for export of engineering items including tractors and related machinery include facility for duty free import of inputs under advance licensing scheme facility of import at concessional duty of capital goods required for export production, duty drawback tax exemption on export profit, making available deferred credit and line of credit, full convertibility of export earnings at market rate of exchange.

(d) Yes. the concessions available to the export of tractors and related machinery are available to the export of agricultural produce as well.

Trade Point in Ministry of Commerce

748. DR. NAUNIHAL SINGH: Will the Minister [illegible]ERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a 'Trade Point' has been established in the Ministry of Commerce;

(b) if so, what are the detailed functions thereof ;

(c) what are the checks and balances intended to be used by Government to ensure the latest and correct market-related information, give details thereof ;

(d) whether this 'Trade Point' will collect information from the country about export surplus available product-wise and commodity-wise to channelise it for exports; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Trade Point is a gateway to global newtworking & is a source of trade related information which provides actual and potential traders with data about business and market opportunities potential clients and suppliers, trade regulations and requirements, etc.,; Being a project set up under the UNCTAD's special programme on Trade Efficiency, the Trade Point receives electronic trading opportunities generated by the Trade Point Development Centre of UNCTAD to which the Trade Points set up in the world have been connected; the market related information is received from the Trade Points, set up in other countries with the sponsorship of the Governments and with participation by industry. The use of technology through electronic networking enables recent information being received and disseminated on-line through the Trade Point.

(d) and (e) Trade Point is not engaged in the collection of any primary statistics; however, export offers product-wise or commodity-wise, if received at the Trade Point can be disseminated through the Global Network.

Import of Coal by Government of Gujarat

749. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Central Government has granted permission to the Government of Gujarat to Import Coal ;

(b) if so, for what period ;

(c) whether the State Government has imported coal during the current financial year ; and

(d) if so, the quantity of coal imported during the above period ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (d)Under the current Export and Import Policy, import of coal is freely permitted and in view of this, no permission for the import of coal is required from the Ministry of Commerce. State-wise import data is not maintained separately.

Commission on Labour Standards and International Trade

750. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) when does the commission, headed by Dr. Subramanian Swamy, on labour standards and international trade including social clause issue related to GATT, expects to submit its interim report as also the final report to Government;

(b) what are the terms of reference of this commission; and

(c) whether any time-limit has been laid down for the commissions to submit its report; if not, the reasons thereof ?